

† D.K. NAIKAR.—If representation is given, I will certainly order for an enquiry.

Paddy crops affected in Belgaum District

34. SRI N.B. SIRDESAI (Khanapur)—Will the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state:—

(a) the total acreage under paddy crop affected in Belgaum District due to incessant heavy rains in June, 1976 (taluk-wise figures may be furnished) :

(b) whether agriculturists and their leaders have submitted written and oral representations to the Revenue authorities and to the Government and requested for relief to the agriculturists.

(c) whether Government have granted any amount to the affected persons. Taluk-wise figures of amount of relief may be furnished.

(d) whether the concerned officers have made proper assessment of the affected areas in the District.

(e) whether assessment of this year's crop condition is made taking into consideration the effect of untimely rains and failure of necessary rains for the crop (talukwise figures of assessment of crop condition may be provided)?

SRI N. CHIKKE GOWDA (Minister for Agriculture).—

(a) About 20 acres and 34 guntas of paddy crop was affected in Khanapur Taluk due to incessant heavy rains and no other cropped area was affected in other taluk of the District.

(b) Yes.

(c) No.

(d) Yes.

(e) Yes.

SRI N. B. SIRDESAI —May I know whether the Government is aware of the fact that due to excess heavy rains continuously for 4 to 5 days, the lands on the banks of the many flooded nallas, tanks, and 5 flooded rivers were washed away causing tremendous damage to the agriculturists?

† indicates that remarks or speeches have not been revised by the member concerned.

†SRI N. CHIKKE GOWDA —Due to incessant heavy rains some area has been affected. The latest information received is that due to heavy rains, 20 acres and 34 guntas have been affected in June 1976. Out of this only 17 guntas have been badly affected due to the sand deposited there.

SRI N. B. SIRDesai.—May I now from how many agriculturists and leaders of the area the representations were received by the Revenue Authorities ?

SRI N. CHIKKE GOWDA,—Representations from various levels have been received. I do not know the exact number of representations received from the people.

SRI N. B. SIRDesai.—With reference to (b) may I know why the relief was not granted though the agriculturists were put to heavy loss ?

SRI N. CHIKKE GOWDA.—As I said earlier, only 17 guntas have been affected due to the sand deposited in S. No. and 15, Nidgal Village.

SRI B. B. SAYANAK —Why the Government should not pay compensation to the affected agriculturists ?

SRI N. CHIKKE GOWDA —If the lands become unfit for cultivation due to heavy damage to the land, then only the Government will consider.

SRI N. B. SIRDesai.—From the irresponsible and vague reply given by the Government may I know whether it is not a fact that this State Government has got parochial and step-motherly treatment towards my Taluks ?

SRI N. CHIKKE GOWDA.—I refute the allegation.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಎಚ್. ಜಯಪ್ರಕಾಶ್ ನಾರಾಯಣ್.—ಅತಿವೃಷ್ಟಿ ಅನಾವೃಷ್ಟಿಗಳಿಂದ ಉಂಟಾಗ ತಕ್ಕ ಕಷ್ಟನಷ್ಟಗಳನ್ನು ನಿವಾರಣೆ ಮಾಡಲು ವ್ಯವಸಾಯಗಾರರಿಗೆ ಕ್ಯಾಷ್ ಇನ್‌ಷೂರೆನ್ಸ್ ಸ್ಕೀಮನ್ನು ಜಾರಿಗೆ ತರುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಅದು ಬೇರೆ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಯಾಯಿತು.

Minor Irrigation works in Anekal Taluk

57. SRI M. B. RAMASWAMY (Anekal).—Will the Minister of State for Minor Irrigation and Protocol be pleased to state :—

(a) the number of Minor Irrigation works that have been taken up in Anekal taluk ;

(b) the total amount allotted for these works ?